

**PERINATAL SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION (PSAP)  
SUBCOMMITTEE MINUTES  
November 30, 2006**

**SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT**

Maggie Carlton, Senator  
John Hiatt, Ph.D.  
Charlene Herst  
Colleen Morris, M.D.  
Susan Gonzales, Ph.D.  
Janie Lowe

**SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT**

Terrence McGaw, M.D.  
Candice Kidd  
T.J. Rosenberg  
Beverly Neyland, M.D.  
Maria Canfield, Chief, Bureau of Alcohol and Drug Abuse (BADA)

**STATE HEALTH DIVISION STAFF PRESENT**

Judith Wright, Chief, Bureau of Family Health Services (BFHS)  
Muriel Kronowitz, Perinatal Substance Abuse Prevention (PSAP) Coordinator, BFHS  
Kyle Devine, Child and Adolescent Health Coordinator, BFHS

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Karen Hartman

**CALL TO ORDER**

Senator Maggie Carlton called the Perinatal Substance Abuse Prevention (PSAP) Subcommittee meeting to order at **9:40 a.m.** The meeting was videoconferenced at the Bureau of Licensure & Certification (BLC), 1550 E. College Parkway, Suite 158, Carson City, Nevada and the BLC, 4220 S. Maryland Parkway, Building D, Suite 810, Las Vegas, Nevada. This was a public meeting, and the public was invited to make comments. In accordance with the Open Meeting Law this meeting was posted at the following locations: Bureau of Family Health Services (BFHS), Carson City; Kinhead Building, Carson City; Nevada State Library and Archives, Carson City; Washoe County District Health Department (WCDHD), Reno; Elko County Library, Elko; BLC, Carson City; BLC, Las Vegas; and the Health Division Website: [health.nv.gov](http://health.nv.gov).

**INTRODUCTION OF KYLE DEVINE, CHILD AND ADOLESCENT HEALTH COORDINATOR**

Muriel Kronowitz introduced Kyle Devine. Mr. Devine stated he has worked in the area of community health for 16 years and currently is the Child and Adolescent Health Coordinator for Bureau of Family Health Services (BFHS). Mr. Devine is the new supervisor of the PSAP Initiative.

Introductions were made around the table.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM MEETING OF OCTOBER 5, 2006**

Ms. Charlene Herst moved to approve the March 14, 2006 minutes. Dr. Susan Gonzales seconded. **MOTION APPROVED**

## **PSAP SUBCOMMITTEE CO-CHAIR REPORT**

Senator Carlton stated as of mid January she will be in Session until the first week of June. The Legislative Committee on Health will consist of two Democrats and Three Republicans. Ms. Kronowitz stated Dr. Terrence McGaw informed her he would keep his calendar open and plans on reducing his practice to be more involved with this subcommittee.

## **REPORT ON THE FETAL ALCOHOL SPECTRUM DISORDER (FASD) CLINICS IN LAS VEGAS AND VOTE TO ACCEPT SAME**

Dr. Morris stated 89 children have been seen in the first 22 clinics between the ages of 8 months to 17 years old. There are currently 80 on a waiting list. The cost for each clinic is \$3800.00. Dr. Morris stated there are ten clinics held in Las Vegas per year and would like to add ten more in Las Vegas to lower the waiting list and create 15 clinics in Reno over an 18 month period for a cost of \$95,000.00. (For more detailed information on the FASD Clinic please see the attached report.) Ms. Wright suggested adding this to the Maternal Child Health Advisory Board (MCHAB) report and ask for their support. Dr. Hiatt moved to accept the FAS clinics Report. Dr. Morris seconded. Ms. Herst moved to submit the recommendations to the MCHAB. Dr. Gonzales seconded. **MOTIONS APPROVED**

## **RECOMMENDATIONS/DISCUSSION FOR LEGISLATIVE DRAFT RESOLUTIONS FOR 2007 LEGISLATIVE SESSION**

Dr. Morris stated that there is a need for more FASD clinics and would like to expand them in Las Vegas and create them in Reno. Specifically, a Bill Draft Resolution (BDR) to add 10 clinics in Las Vegas and create 15 in Reno, 3 of which will be genetics clinics, at a cost of \$ 95,000.00. Senator Carlton agreed to draft a proposal.

## **ESTABLISHMENT OF SUBCOMMITTEE(S) TO WORK ON SECTIONS OF THE DRAFT OF THE 5 YEAR FETAL ALCOHOL SPECTRUM DISORDER STRATEGIC PLAN**

Ms. Kronowitz stated the 5 year strategic plan will be a collaborative effort between all the members of the committee and would like to know what area of expertise member are interested in participating. Mr. Devine stated the plan is to make the 5 year strategic plan an outcome process. The plan could be broken down in to three components; current services for children who have FASD, primary prevention which would take care of the education and outreach, and data collection. Ms. Kronowitz will be sending an email to the members of the committee asking to inform her of what area of the strategic plan they would like to collaborate on. Dr. Hiatt moved to approve establishing subcommittees to help work on the strategic plan. Dr. Morris second. **MOTION APPROVED**

## **UPDATE BY PSAP COORDINATOR**

Ms. Kronowitz stated she attended the Rural Mental Health Consortium meeting and they informally voted to support any Bill Draft Requests (BDR) submitted by the PSAP subcommittee. Any request should include mental health. Ms. Kronowitz provided the PSAP members with the requested list of attendees from the Town Hall Meetings. On another topic, she suggested meeting with the Special Education directors instead of the Department of Education (DOE). Janie Lowe stated there are special education directors in each of the school districts and their meetings are called Special Education Administrators (SEDA) meetings. She is unsure if they meet monthly or quarterly. Dr. Morris stated most children with Fetal Alcohol Syndrome

(FAS) are in regular classrooms and these teachers need the most help and tools to educate children with FAS. Ms. Kronowitz suggested doing both; meeting with DOE and SEDA. Dr. Gonzales stated Alaska is willing to share their one credit Continuing Education Unit (CEU) basic course on Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) at no cost. It was suggested to ask at the next DOE public meeting to be included in the agenda for the following meeting. Senator Carlton volunteered to be present at the next DOE meeting to present the issues.

**DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF THE UTILIZATION OF THE AMERICAN COLLEGE OF GYNOCOLGY (ACOG) TOOLKIT WITH CLEARLY DEFINED STRATEGIES FOR IMPLEMENTATION**

Mr. Kronowitz stated the kits will be available on CD's. Dr. Morris would like the kits to be presented to OBGYNs as well as public health nurses, public clinics, and family practice doctors. Dr. Morris suggested contacting Dr. McGaw to obtain his advice about the education, distribution and strategy for the use of the toolkits. Ms. Herst stated she gave an overview of the toolkits to the community health nurses and they would like to obtain the kits as well. ACTION TABLED until Dr. McGaw's suggestions are received.

**SETTING MEETING DATES FOR 2007**

Dates proposed for meetings in the year of 2007 are: January 11, April 12, July 12, and November 8 and begin at 9:30 am.

**SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS TO STAFF**

No recommendations were discussed.

**PUBLIC COMMENT AND DISCUSSION**

No public comments.

Meeting adjourned at **11:35 a.m.**